

# ELKS MEMORIAL THIS AFTERNOON

Annual Exercises Will Be Held in the Opera House to Which the Public is Invited.

## IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES

Eighteen Members of the Local Lodge Are Dead and Their Memories Will Be Kept Green.

This afternoon in the Grand opera house, Keokuk lodge No. 106 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will hold its annual memorial exercises, to which the public is invited to attend. The service will begin at 3:00 o'clock and the committee in charge has arranged for a most impressive and elaborate service.

There are 18 members of the lodge who have passed away since the lodge was instituted here, the list being as follows:

- Joseph M. Casey.
- Harrison Tucker.
- J. M. Hutchison.
- Murray Hutchinson.
- Chas. Horton.
- William Welsmann.
- William H. Atwood.
- William E. Cunningham.
- George M. Bailey.
- Michael Malloy.
- Harry L. Miller.
- Charles L. Grice.
- Simon Vogel.
- Charles Carroll Marsh.
- George W. Jones.
- John C. Hubinger.
- Fred E. Starr.
- James Ward.

Miller's orchestra will play for the exercises and a special choir for the occasion has been provided by Miss Bertha Wolcott, consisting of the following singers: Misses Elizabeth Ivins, Theresa Green, Harriet Kastner, Sadie Webb, Messrs. Howard W. Wood, Wilbur C. Hughes, Frederick Dressel and John Nodler.

The principal address of the afternoon will be delivered by Dr. S. W. Moorhead, while four shorter eulogistic addresses will be given by other members of the order. The complete program of the afternoon, has been arranged as follows:

- Program.**
- PART I.**
1. Music—Elks March..... Richard Orchestra.
  2. Opening Ceremonies. Exalted Ruler and Secretary.
  3. Hymn—Ten Thousand Names..... Ten Thousand..... Dykes Choir.
  4. Ceremonies. Exalted Ruler and Officers of Lodge.
  5. Opening Ode. Brothers and Choir.
  6. Invocation by the Chaplain.
  7. Hymn—O Happy Home Above..... H. F. Shelly Choir.
  8. Eulogy. Announcement, Brother W. H. Reinhold, Secretary. Response, Bro. Ed. F. Carter—Choir. "I Would not Live Always." Response, Bro. J. B. Well—Choir. "He Liveth Long." Response, Bro. H. J. Reeves—Choir. Twenty-third Psalm. Response, Bro. John E. Craig—Choir. "It Singeth Low."
  9. Music—Simple Aen. F. B. Thorne Orchestra. Scripture reading. Chaplain.
  10. Music—Glory to God. Miss Ivins, Solo and Chorus. Choir.
  11. Address. Bro. S. W. Moorhead.
  12. Music—The Master Builder..... Holmes Orchestra.
  13. Closing exercises. Exalted Ruler and Officers of Lodge.

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## Boosters' Column

To the editor of The Gate City: Every Sunday morning The Gate City will devote this column to articles which will deal with the betterment of Keokuk. There will always be something of interest in these columns, but every person who has an idea that would work for some good of the city owes it to his fellow citizens to give it publicity here. Such articles should be optimistic, the new Keokuk has no time for knockers, their time has passed. If you think that someone is not doing as he should do, don't give us an article saying that Mr. Third Ward should not cut off the top of his trees but give us a fair statement of the way to trim trees, in which you state that the correct way is to trim off the lower branches and let the higher ones grow. That is what the new Keokuk wants. Trim off the lower branches which will not grow and give all of her strength to the higher ones so she can become bigger and better every month.

This week we will give a list of things that might be considered by citizens at large. If the responsible parties knew the opinion of the majority of the people they would only be too glad to follow:

What is the best way to clean Main street?

What kind of men do you want for commissioners?

Would it be of any benefit to the city to have a park on the levee?

Is the superior court a benefit to the city?

Should the city have a work house for vagrants?

Should the city expend its street fund in repairing old streets or in building new ones?

Now, Mr. Taxpayer, get busy. This is your business. Let your government know how you want your city governed. Get the habit of boosting. If you can't find anything to be improved say so. We will know then that you believe that you live in the best city on earth. Of course we know that you do but get in the habit of saying so.

Boost and then boost all boosters.

Should the city have a workhouse?

I think that it should, or rather that the county should have one in the city. I do not know whether or not the laws have been so passed that we can have one, but will take it up from a financial standpoint.

In the months of January, February and March, 1908, the vagrant question cost the tax payers of this city about \$5,000. If you want to know, Mr. Taxpayer where your money goes, this is an item. This money went to the officials who convicted the vags, to the officers who arrested them and to the officers who fed them during their rest. It was a rest. I understand that the county officials have refused to provide a guard to stay with the gentlemen of leisure on the rock pile and that during the colder weather many of them are insufficiently clad to be out of doors. This should be stopped. We should get some returns for the money we expend in this way. The fact that the professional would give Keokuk a wide berth if he had to make a return for his entertainment should not make us resent. We want to be hospitable but we don't want to be easy marks. Let us make the vags earn their board if nothing else. If the county cannot give us a workhouse let the city have one. A city ordinance against vagrancy would give the judge a chance to send them there and an efficient police force would keep it full until Weary Willie found Keokuk was a busy place. Then we could use the money for some thing worth while.

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New Bank Organized With \$10,000 Capital and the Place is on the Move.

[Special to The Gate City.] DENVER, Ill., Dec. 4.—Denver is on the boom and promises to become a thriving, hustling town. Two years ago the writer urged the business men to organize a bank and give the town the start it deserved. Last spring H. W. McPherson secured a block of adjoining farm land, laid out a new addition and sold twelve lots before he could make the survey. During this season seven good, substantial residences have gone up, besides a new bank building. The stockholders of the Dime Savings bank of Carthage, have organized a branch bank at Denver with the following officers: John W. Sneider, president; James I. Hendricks, vice president; and G. B. Miller, cashier. The latter is an experienced young banker from Table Grove, having been associated with his home bank for the past seven years. He is spoken of as a very popular bank officer, the kind of man needed to start a new concern in a new field. The Denver bank will have \$10,000 capital and be known as the Harmony Bank of Denver, and will occupy a new concrete block banking house. The Wabash agent says that the receipts of his office are proof of the general prosperity around Denver. He is authority for the statement that freight and passenger traffic receipts at Denver have increased fifty per cent in the last six months. Denver, says a Denverite, is on the divide between the Mississippi and Illinois rivers, the street crossing between the new bank building and the Masonic hall is the line which marks the top of the divide. Water from one side runs toward the Mississippi and that falling on the other side, to the Illinois.

During the past few weeks, E. E. Edwards, the Wabash agent, has completed a new seven room concrete block residence, with all modern conveniences. Chas. Grove, the blacksmith, has built an eight room frame in the new addition to Denver. M. A. Milled has a new four room cottage and F. M. McPherson another of the same size, both in the McPherson addition. J. W. Clark has completed another four room cottage. Wm. Miller, former proprietor of the Denver House, has a new eight room residence under cover and rapidly nearing completion. Denver is on the move, and other new additions are promised.

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